

**SOUTH CAROLINA
GOVERNOR'S OFFICE – MANSION AND GROUNDS
COLUMBIA, SOUTH CAROLINA**

STATE AUDITOR'S REPORT

JUNE 30, 2018



Independent Accountant's Report on Applying Agreed-Upon Procedures

February 13, 2019

Mr. Steven W. Lake, Director of Administrative Services/SCEIS
South Carolina Department of Administration
Columbia, South Carolina

We have performed the procedures described in Attachment 1, which were agreed to by the management of the South Carolina Governor's Office – Mansion and Grounds (the Agency), on the systems, processes and behaviors related to financial activity of the Agency for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2018. The Agency's management is responsible for the systems, processes and behaviors related to financial activity. The sufficiency of these procedures is solely the responsibility of the specified parties in this report. Consequently, we make no representation regarding the sufficiency of the procedures described in Attachment 1 either for the purpose for which the agreed-upon procedures report has been requested or for any other purpose.

This agreed-upon procedures engagement was conducted in accordance with attestation standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. We were not engaged to and did not conduct an examination or review, the objective of which would be an opinion or conclusion, respectively, on the systems, processes and behaviors related to financial activity of the Agency. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion or conclusion. Had we performed additional procedures, other matters might have come to our attention that would have been reported to you.

The concept of materiality does not apply to findings to be reported in an agreed-upon procedures engagement. Therefore, all findings from the application of the agreed-upon procedures must be reported unless the definition of materiality is agreed to by the specified parties. Management of the Agency has agreed that the following deficiencies will not be included in the State Auditor's Report on Applying Agreed-Upon Procedures:

- Errors of less than \$1,000 related to cash receipts and non-payroll cash disbursements transactions.
- Errors of less than \$1,000 related to reporting packages.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the management of the South Carolina Governor's Office – Mansion and Grounds and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties. However, this report is a matter of public record and its distribution is not limited.

George L. Kennedy, III, CPA
State Auditor

South Carolina Office of the State Auditor

Agreed - Upon Procedures Related to the Governor's Office – Mansion and Grounds (D20)

Cash Receipts/Revenues

1. Compare current year revenues at the subfund and account level from sources other than State General Fund appropriations to those of the prior year. Obtain from management an understanding of variations over \$8,000 and 10% in the Earmarked Fund.

We found no exceptions as a result of the procedure.

Cash Disbursements/Non-Payroll Expenditures

2. Haphazardly select five non-payroll disbursements and inspect supporting documentation to determine:
 - Transaction is properly completed as required by Agency procedures; invoice(s) agree(s) with general ledger as to vendor, amount, number, and date.
 - All supporting documents and approvals required by Agency procedures are present and agree with the invoice.
 - The transaction is a bona fide expenditure of the Agency.
 - The transaction is properly classified in the general ledger.
 - Disbursement complied with applicable State laws, rules, and regulations including the State Consolidated Procurement Code, state travel regulations etc.
 - Determine that disbursements are recorded in the proper fiscal year.
 - Clerical accuracy / confirm proper sales/use tax.

We found no exceptions as a result of the procedures.

Payroll

3. Compare current year payroll expenditures at the subfund and account level to those of the prior year. Obtain from management an understanding of variations over \$5,000 and 10% in the General Fund and \$10,000 and 10% in the Earmarked Fund.
4. Compute the percentage distribution of fringe benefit expenditures by fund source and compare to the actual distribution of recorded personal service expenditures by fund source. Obtain an explanation of variations greater than 10%.
5. Compare the percentage change in personal service expenditures between the current year and prior year to the percentage change in employer contributions expenditures between the current year and prior year. Obtain an explanation of changes greater than 10%.
6. Haphazardly select five employees and inspect supporting documentation during the fiscal year to:

For Salaried Employees:

- Obtain and inspect the employee's payroll and/or personnel file for various forms, communications, etc., to confirm that the person is a bona fide employee of the Agency.
- Agree gross pay to supporting documentation confirming all changes to gross salary for the year. Determine that all changes have been properly approved.

Payroll (Continued)

For Hourly Employees:

- Obtain and inspect the employee's payroll and/or personnel file for various forms, communications, etc., to confirm that the person is a bona fide employee of the Agency.
 - Confirm the hourly rate and time sheets are properly approved; recalculate gross pay.
7. Select all (three) employees who terminated employment during the fiscal year to determine if they were removed from the payroll in accordance with the Agency's policies and procedures, that the employee's last pay check was properly calculated, and that the employee's leave payout was properly calculated in accordance with applicable State law.
 8. Haphazardly select five employees hired during the fiscal year to determine if they were added to the payroll in accordance with the Agency's policies and procedures and that their first pay check was properly calculated in accordance with applicable State law.

We found no exceptions as a result of the procedures.

Journal Entries and Transfers

9. Haphazardly inspect three journal entries and two transfers for the fiscal year to:
 - Trace postings to the general ledger, confirming amounts agree with supporting documentation.
 - Confirm transaction is properly approved.
 - Inspect supporting documentation to confirm the purpose of the transaction.

We found no exceptions as a result of the procedures.

Reporting Packages

10. Obtain copies of fiscal year end reporting packages submitted to the Office of the State Comptroller General (CG). Inspect the Master Reporting Package Checklist to determine the appropriate reporting packages were prepared and submitted by the due date established by the CG's Reporting Policies and Procedures Manual.
11. In addition to the procedure above, perform the following:
 - Cash and Investments Reporting Package

Determine if responses are reasonable/accurate based on inspection of the South Carolina Enterprise Information System (SCEIS) general ledger, the SCEIS Yearend Reporting - Cash and Investments report and/or Department prepared records. In addition, determine if amounts agree to State Treasurer's Office Composite Bank Account reports and year end reconciliations.

Reporting Packages (Continued)

- Subsequent Events Questionnaire

Determine if responses are reasonable/accurate and any required supplemental information was properly prepared and submitted based on inspection of the SCEIS general ledger and/or Department prepared records. Compare the Annual Leave, Holiday Leave, and Compensation Time balances for each employee from the Comptroller General's Office's compensated Absence Report, to the 6/30/2018 balances in SCEIS to determine if the Agency had any late submissions of leave.

We found no exceptions as a result of the procedures.

Composite Reservoir Accounts

12. We confirmed with the Agency their use of the Governor's Office – Mansion and & Grounds composite reservoir account.
13. Obtain fiscal year monthly reconciliations for each composite reservoir account and for two of the reconciliations, perform the following procedures:
 - Determine that selected reconciliations were timely performed, reviewed, and properly documented in accordance with State regulations, and are mathematically correct.
 - Agree applicable amounts from reconciliations to the general ledger.
 - Agree applicable amounts from reconciliations to the State Treasurer's Office monthly reports.
 - Determine if reconciling differences were adequately explained and properly resolved.
 - Determine if necessary adjusting entries were made in the accounting records.
14. Inspect the sole receipt from one selected reconciliation (no receipts were recorded on the second reconciliation) to determine that they were properly described and classified in the accounting records in accordance with the Agency's policies and procedures and State regulations and that they were recorded in the proper fiscal year, and that any retention or remittance of revenue is supported by law.
15. Inspect two and five disbursements from each selected reconciliation, respectively, to determine if these disbursements were properly described and classified in the accounting records in accordance with the Agency's policies and procedures and State regulations, were bona fide disbursements of the Agency, were paid in conformity with State laws and regulations and that goods and/or services were procured in accordance with applicable laws and regulations.

We found no exceptions as a result of the procedures.

Appropriation Act

16. Inspect the Appropriation Act work program, provided to and completed by management, confirming areas of noncompliance, if any.
17. Confirm compliance with the selected agreed-upon Agency-specific state provisos by inquiring with management and observing supporting documentation, where applicable.

We found no exceptions as a result of the procedures.

Mansion Foundation

18. Inspect the Mansion Foundation's bylaws and any other related documents to determine if there are any areas of noncompliance.

We found no areas of noncompliance.

Status of Prior Finding

19. Through inquiry and inspection, determine if the Agency has taken appropriate corrective action on the finding reported during the engagement for the prior fiscal year.

We found no exceptions as a result of the procedure.